

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Recognizing the substantial public contribution of gun shows and discouraging inappropriate attempts to regulate or restrict them.

WHEREAS, the right of South Dakotans to keep and bear arms is guaranteed by both the Second Amendment to the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution and by the twenty-fourth section of the Bill of Rights of the South Dakota Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the revolutionary freedom of our country was secured and protected by the responsible use of firearms by law-abiding American citizens; and

WHEREAS, innumerable Americans, in and out of uniform, have given their lives to preserve our constitutional freedoms; and

WHEREAS, the lawful use of firearms is a daily occurrence, not only for sporting and hunting purposes, but to protect our loved ones, our property, and the public safety; and

WHEREAS, gun shows provide an invaluable community-based opportunity for those law-abiding citizens who choose to exercise this facet of their constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, gun shows aspire to be wholesome family events that generate substantial positive economic and commercial impact for our cities, counties, and state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Seventy-ninth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that community gun shows be recognized for their many positive contributions to South Dakota and all of its citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all future attempts to inappropriately regulate, restrict, encumber, or eliminate gun shows should be judiciously resisted.

Adopted by the Senate,  
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

January 28, 2004  
January 30, 2004

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President of the Senate

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